

**Amendments to the Claims****In the claims:**

1. (original) A pre-applied outer layer material for automotive interior trim, which comprises having applied in advance to the back surface of an automotive interior trim a hotmelt having (A) an amorphous poly( $\alpha$ -olefin) having a melting viscosity in the range of 500 - 100,000 mPa·s/190°C, (B) a tackifier resin having a softening point determined by the ring and ball method of not lower than 110°C, and (C) a polypropylene wax having a melting point of not lower than 120°C as main components thereof and having a weight ratio of (A) to (C) in the range of 100/50 - 100/100.

2. (currently amended) A pre-applied outer layer material according to claim 21, wherein said outer layer material for automotive interior trim is formed solely of a surface layer material and said hotmelt is directly applied in advance to the back surface of said outer layer material.

3. (currently amended) A pre-applied outer layer material according to claim 21, wherein said outer layer material for automotive interior trim is formed of a surface layer material and a polyolefin foam layer joined to the back surface thereof by adhesion or thermal fusion and said hotmelt is applied to the surface of said polyolefin foam layer.

4. (original) A pre-applied outer layer material according to claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of (A) the amorphous poly( $\alpha$ -olefin)/(B) the tackifier resin is in the range of 100/10 - 100/100.

5. (original) A pre-applied outer layer material according to claim 1, wherein the thickness of said hotmelt applied to the outer layer material is in the range of 10 - 500  $\mu$ m.

6. (original) A pre-applied outer layer material according to claim 4, wherein said hotmelt further contains not more than 0 weight % of a polyolefin based on the weight of said hotmelt.

7. (original) A pre-applied outer layer material according to claim 3, wherein said outer layer material is formed solely of a thermoplastic sheet or fibrous material or

formed by laminating a polyolefin foam thereon.

8. (original) A pre-applied outer layer material for automotive interior trim, which comprises having applied in advance to the back surface of an automotive interior trim a hotmelt having (A) an amorphous poly( $\alpha$ -olefin) having a melting viscosity in the range of 500 - 100,000 mPa·s/190°C, (B) a tackifier resin having a softening point determined by the ring and ball method of not lower than 110°C, and (C) a polypropylene wax having a melting point of not lower than 120°C as main components, having a weight ratio of (A) to (C) in the range of 100/50 - 100/100, and having a weight ratio of (A) the amorphous poly( $\alpha$ -olefin)/(B) the tackifier resin in the range of 100/10 - 100/100.

9. (currently amended) A pre-applied outer layer material according to claim 78, wherein the weight ratio of (A)/(C) is in the range of 100/30 - 100/60 and the weight ratio of (A)/(B) is in the range of 100/50 - 100/80.

10. (original) A pre-applied outer layer material according to claim 8, wherein said automotive interior trim is formed solely of a surface layer material and said hotmelt is directly applied in advance to the back surface of said surface layer material.

11. (original) A pre-applied outer layer material according to claim 8, wherein said automotive interior trim is formed of a surface layer material and a polyolefin foam layer joined by adhesion to the back surface thereof and said hotmelt is applied to the surface of said polyolefin foam layer.

12. (original) A method for the production of an automotive interior trim, comprising the steps of applying a pre-applied outer layer material set forth in claim 1 to a molded object and subjecting them to vacuum forming adhesion without heating the molded object.